

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
DELMARVA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY)
FOR AN INCREASE IN ELECTRIC BASE RATES) PSC DOCKET NO. 13-115
(Filed March 22, 2013))

ORDER No. 8345

FOR ADMISSION AS AN INTERVENOR

AND NOW, this 11th day of April, 2013, pursuant to the authority granted to me in PSC Order No. 8337 dated April 9, 2013, after considering the Petition for Leave to Intervene ("the Petition") filed by the Caesar Rodney Institute, Center for Energy Competitiveness ("CRI"), this Hearing Examiner determines the following:

NOW, THEREFORE,

1. This docket involves Delmarva Power & Light Company's ("Delmarva Power") Application seeking to increase electric base rates of customers.

2. In PSC Order No. 8337, the Commission ordered that the deadline for filing petitions for intervention was May 7, 2013. (See Order, ¶8.)

3. CRI filed a Petition to Intervene, signed by its Director, David T. Stevenson, on April 5, 2013. Thus, CRI's Petition to Intervene was timely filed.

4. CRI contends that its particularized experience and expertise will be useful to the Commission in deciding the issues in this Docket. (See CRI's Petition to Intervene at ¶¶2,3.)

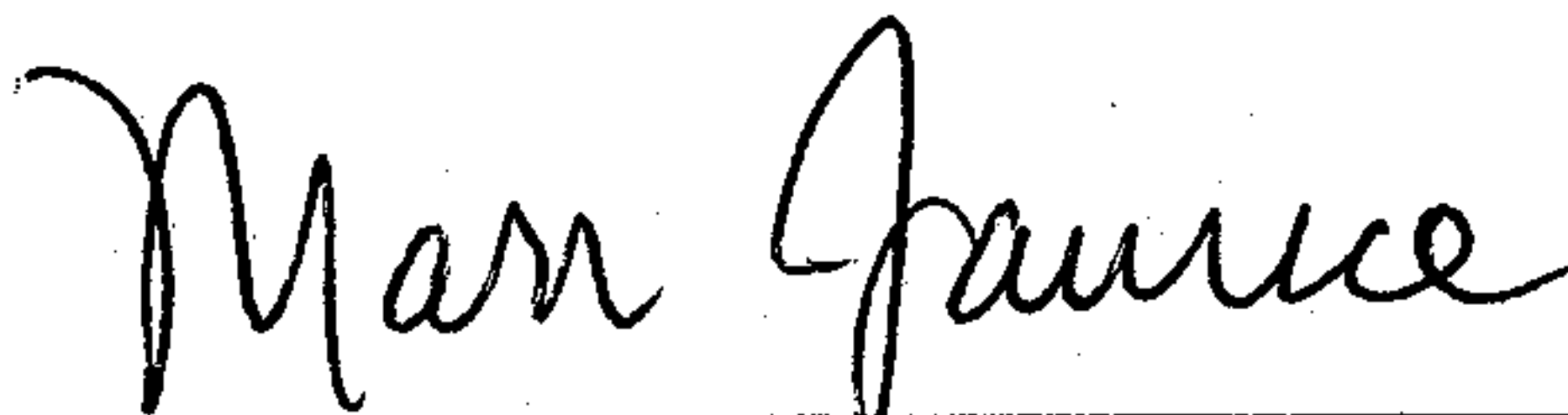
5. Specifically, CRI alleges that it has intervened in seven (7) dockets before the Commission, including Delmarva Power's 2012 IRP docket. CRI is a Working Group member in that docket. (*Id.* at ¶3.) In this docket, CRI seeks to address, among other issues, the proposed rate increase and grid reliability. (*Id.* at ¶2.)

6. For purposes of considering the merits of CRI's Petition, I assume as true the representations made in CRI's Petition by its Director, David T. Stevenson. Specifically, in good faith, CRI has adequately alleged that it has particularized expertise and experience which may be valuable to the Commission in deciding the issues in this docket. Thus, CRI has satisfied the intervention requirements of Rule 21 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

7. On April 10, 2013, I emailed CRI's Petition to Intervene to the parties for their comment. No party objected to CRI's intervention.

8. Accordingly, the Petition for Intervention filed by the Caesar Rodney Institute for Energy Competitiveness ("CRI") is GRANTED.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINER:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mark Lawrence".

Mark Lawrence, Hearing Examiner